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Farm production from meat animals in 1948 totaled 38.6 billion pounds, about two percent less than the 1947 output of 393 billion and 17 percent smaller than the record high of 46.6 billion pounds in 1943, the Department of Agriculture announces.

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Corn stocks in the United States on April 1 amounted to a record 1 billion, 833 million bushels, more than double those of April 1 a year ago, and much larger than any April 1 on record.

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The U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced a program to support the price of butterfat at a national average of 90 percent of parity through 1949, as required by the Agricultural Act of 1948.

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The AAA emphasizes that farmers will receive or accumulate about \$140 million in interest on the \$5 billion they hold in Savings Bonds. E bonds pay the equivalent of 3 1/3 percent simple interest, or 2.9 percent compound interest when held to maturity.

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Farm production for the past few years has been 35 to 40 percent above the production for the prewar years 1935-39, the AAA reports.

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Assistance provided under the Agricultural Conservation Program acts as an incentive for farmers to perform additional conservation practices of their own accord.

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National averages of support prices of 69 cents a bushel for 1949 crop oats, \$1.27 for rye, \$1.09 for barley, and \$2.09 per 100 pounds for grain sorghums have been announced by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

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The constructive approach to world food problems lies in parallel development of industry and agriculture within the same region, says Dr. Charles E. Kellogg, soil scientist of the Department of Agriculture.

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U. S. farmers received a record cash income from their meat animal production in 1948, 9.4 billion dollars compared with 9.3 billion the year previous, the AAA reports.

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For the first time in history, the United States last year ranked as the top soybean producing nation in the world with production exceeding 220 million bushels, the AAA reports.

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The AAA urges farmers to add to the 5 billion dollars worth of bonds which they now hold by participating in the 1949 Opportunity Savings Bond drive which will be launched May 16 by the Treasury Department.

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One of the dominant principles of the Agricultural Conservation Program, during its 13 years of operation, is to pay only from public funds that part of each conservation practice that has to be paid to get the work accomplished.

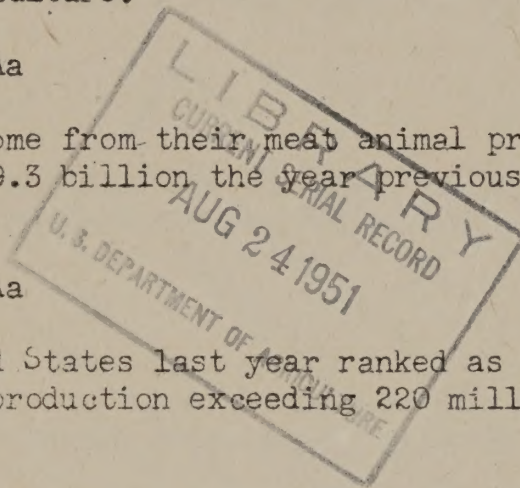
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Price supports, the AAA emphasizes, are needed to protect farmers from the wide fluctuations in price that result from shifts in yields and demands.

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8,294 wheat Federal Crop Insurance policies were signed in 1949 in North Dakota. This number added to the 6,226 carryover contracts makes a total of 11,520 wheat policies in force in the State.

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The U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced that it will continue for the month of June to support egg prices in the Midwest at levels reflecting an average price to producers of at least 35 cents a dozen for shell eggs, the same as the January-May period price.

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One and three-quarter million more people were working on farms in April than a month earlier, however, this total was 4 percent under a year earlier, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports.

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Each day during February the U. S. Department of Agriculture moved an average of 139 million pounds of U. S. food and agricultural commodities, most of it into foreign lands, the AAA reports.

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"Two-thirds of the world's people depend on Agriculture for their livelihood...." Secretary of Agriculture, Charles F. Brannan.

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The heavy production of grain and other crops during and since the war have depleted the humus and broken down the soil structure on millions of acres in the Nation, and there is a growing need to get much of this land back into sod crops, the AAA emphasizes.

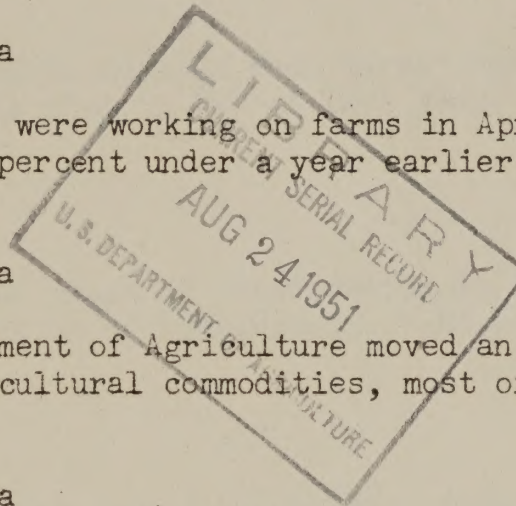
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The May crop report of the U. S. Department of Agriculture forecasts a winter wheat crop of 1,021,476,000 bushels, which is the second largest winter wheat crop ever produced in this country.

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The combined stocks of corn, oats, and barley in all positions on April 1 totaled 64.9 million tons, 89 percent larger than the small stocks on April 1 last year, the AAA reports.

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May 26, 1949

Across the country the U. S. Department of Agriculture took a May first look to report generally good agricultural production in view.

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Farmers are expected to receive about 2 billion dollars from marketings in May, 5 percent more than in April and slightly less than in May of last year, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports.

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"One of the greatest things we can do in the cause of conservation is to prevent the wasteful use of resources in the production of surpluses....." Secretary of Agriculture, Charles F. Brannan.

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Food supplies have been somewhat larger during recent months than they were in the same months of 1948, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics announces.

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World corn production in 1948 may have reached 5,980 million bushels, the Department of Agriculture estimates.

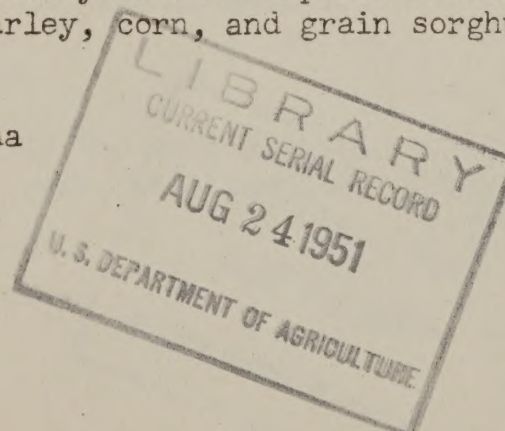
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The assistance to farmers cooperating in the Agricultural Conservation Program represents the national interest in helping farmers to keep soil from washing and blowing away and in keeping the land productive.

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From July 1, 1948 through May 20 the Commodity Credit Corporation has acquired a total of 107,726,443 bushels of wheat, barley, corn, and grain sorghums under price supports, the AAA announces.

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June 2, 1949

In 1947, around $2\frac{1}{4}$ million farms produced less than \$1,500 worth of commodities for sale and home use, the AAA announces.

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The Agricultural Conservation Program recognizes the need for the farmer to also make a living from the land while he is keeping soil from washing and blowing away.

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European crop conditions, as of mid-May, continue to point to a total crop production below that of the favorable 1948 season but considerably above that of the drought year 1947, according to the monthly survey of the Department of Agriculture.

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Production of milk on farms in the first 4 months of 1949 was 3.5 percent greater than the same period a year earlier because of a very high output per cow, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics announces.

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On April 1, 1949, the carryover of flax was more than 62 million bushels, about 7 percent more than a year ago, the AAA announces.

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The farm mortgage debt on January 1, 1949 is estimated by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics to have been 5,108 million dollars, an increase of more than 226 million dollars or 4.6 percent over that of a year earlier.

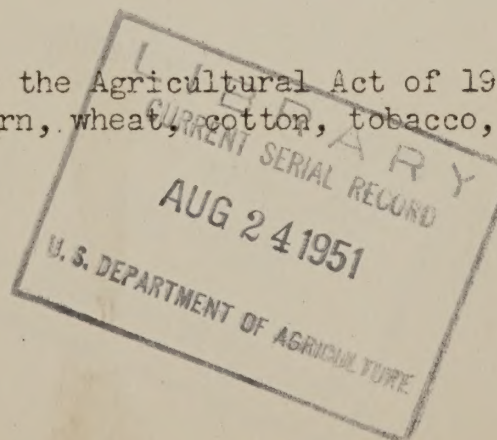
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Butter consumption is running higher this year with domestic disappearance of stocks estimated at 20 percent above a year ago, the AAA announces.

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The Department of Agriculture is required by the Agricultural Act of 1948 to support prices in 1949 of six basic commodities - corn, wheat, cotton, tobacco, rice and peanuts.

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A corn resealing program under which producers can, not later than October 31, 1949, (1) extend their loans on 1948 crop corn to mature July 31, 1950 and (2) put purchase agreement corn under loan to mature July 31, 1950, has been announced by the Department of Agriculture.

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"Conservation is an expression of faith in the future...faith that there can be a good future...a future of better living." Charles F. Brannan, Secretary of Agriculture.

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Holding the topsoil we have and making it more productive is one of the objectives of the Agricultural Conservation Program.

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About half of the 80,000 fires which the Forest Service reported for 1947 were caused by human carelessness, 17,000 by smokers, the AAA reports.

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The Agricultural Conservation Program means more and better food as well as protecting the future supplies by conserving soil and water.

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"Two-thirds of farm dwellings do not have running water, while only 4.5 percent of city dwellings are without it." Secretary of Agriculture, Charles F. Brannan.

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By building up the nitrogen in the soil it is possible to continue to carry out conservation practices which protect the soil from washing and blowing and at the same time maintain per-acre yields, the AAA emphasizes.

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Production of all kinds of farm machinery, equipment and repair parts in 1948 was at least a fifth above the previous record of 1947 and more than $2\frac{1}{2}$ times the average for 1935-39, the AAA announces.

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Storage rates for farm stored wheat, soybeans and flaxseed will be continued for 1949 crops on the same basis as during the past year, the AAA announces.

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Maximum use of our range land on a sustained yield basis is the aim of the grazing land management practice under the 1949 Agricultural Conservation Program.

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Over-all marketings of eggs and poultry in the latter half of 1949 will be larger than in the same period of 1948, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports.

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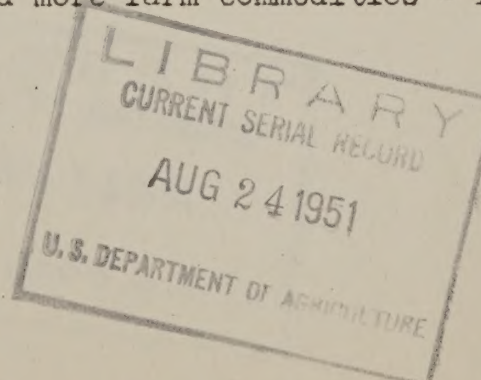
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Storage loans, for the purchase or construction of grain storage structures, are backed by Commodity Credit Corporation, and may be obtained from approved local lending agencies, or obtained directly from CCC by applying to county Agricultural Conservation Committees.

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Referring to the Agricultural Conservation Program, Alvin V. McCormack, Conservation Branch Director of the Production and Marketing Administration recently said, "The whole program works out to a better living for people - not just the farmers, but for the people in town. It means more food and more farm commodities - for more people...."

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Stem rust has caused very little damage so far this season in the principal wheat producing areas west of the Mississippi River, the Department of Agriculture has announced.

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Farmers of this country used about 2 1/3 tons of fertilizer last year for every ton they used in 1936 when the Agricultural Conservation Program was started.

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The International Wheat Agreement will become effective July 1 if by that time it has been accepted by the Governments of enough countries, the Department of Agriculture reports.

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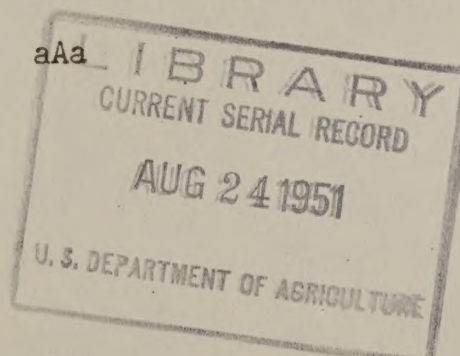
The 1949 spring pig crop totaled 59,040,000 head, an increase of 15 percent from last spring, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports.

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Plentiful foods listed by the Department of Agriculture for July include - cottage cheese, eggs, dried beans and peas, peanut butter, chickens, fresh plums, canned peaches, canned mixed fruits, canned apricots, honey, cabbage, irish potatoes, and canned corn.

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Essential foods listed by the Department of Agriculture for July include - cottage cheese, eggs, dried beans and peas, peanut butter, raisins, French beans, canned peaches, canned stoned fruits, canned apples, honey, cabbage, Irish potatoes, and canned corn.

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